

COUNTRY REAL ESTATE

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Reporter has been obliged to call said to a STAR reporter this morning: "One or two superintendents are working with equal authority with me, so it will be simply impossible to make more applicants for clerical positions there is no likelihood that other superintendents will be appointed and so it can positively be stated I will not see any applicants for clerical positions. I am absolutely unable to adopt this course. My whole mind has been consumed in tinkering with the applicants. The business has been neglected and now I am considering the question of the appointment of supervisors. There are 175 to be appointed and the time ought to be within the next few weeks, or, at the best, next eight weeks.

"I don't intend to find the proper men for these positions; the greatest care must be exercised in their selection, but I cannot know all about the men selected for positions, so that I can give information to you and the Secretary of the Interior as to the results of my work. In addition, one of the office generally, will occupy most of my time. Besides, all the stipends up to the 1st of June have been paid and agreed upon, and so hereafter we will return to our regular positions. My general reception on the 1st of each week will be discontinued on June 1."

The clerk said that Chief Clerk Childs would receive all general calls.

Department Changes.

Chief: Major L. Littlefield, Pa., clerk \$2,000, under \$2,000; Asaph Dodge, N.Y., \$1,000, A.G.O., under \$1,000; Alex. H. Smith, Ohio, clerk \$1,000, chief of engine.

Asst.: Chas. J. Giers, Ala., from assistant-engineer, A.G.O., to clerk at \$1,000, S.G.; John A. Moran, Tex., from \$1,200, A.G.O.; Theo. F. Wilsey, Cal., from \$1,200, S.G.O.; Jas. S. Raymond, Ark., from \$1,200, S.G.O.; Wm. Watson, Ark., from clerks \$1,000, S.G.O., to \$1,200, A.G.O.

Prod.: Frank D. Fletcher, N.Y., from \$800, A.G.O., to class 1, chief of engine.

Appointments: Harry M. Clapp, Springfield at \$900, rebellion recorder

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